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Muscogee (Creek) Nation Acquires Okmulgee Memorial Hospital

OKMULGEE, Okla. – Muscogee (Creek) Nation Principal Chief George Tiger and an Okmulgee Memorial Hospital board member signed documents Aug. 15 that finalized the tribe's acquisition of the local hospital.

The Nation purchased the Okmulgee Memorial Hospital and associated plans for operations. The purchase was hailed as a great investment opportunity for the tribe and will benefit all citizens of the surrounding area, Muscogee (Creek) citizens and non-citizens alike.

Principal Chief George Tiger said the day was historic one that showed the cooperative effort of the MCN government.

MCN Secretary of Health Lt. Cmdr. Seneca Smith said the hospital is for everyone.

"Our main interest is taking care of our community," Smith said. "We are invested in this community."

Okmulgee Memorial Hospital Chairman Nevyle Cable said the partnership was a welcome and much needed one.

"This ends up being a win-win for everyone," he said. "It's the beginning of a new day."

Okmulgee Memorial Hospital is a 66-bed acute care facility located at 1401 Morris Drive in Okmulgee. The facility is a non-profit hospital that employs a staff of approximately 250 health care professionals and support staff and provides quality care in an efficient manner to every person who enters the facility.

This transfer of ownership is from the Okmulgee Memorial Hospital Authority to the Muscogee (Creek) Nation who will resume all responsibly and maintenance of the existing facility.

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